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10	In re:	Case No. BK-S-0	
11	USA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, Debtor.	Case No. BK-S-0 Case No. BK-S-0 Case No. BK-S-0	
12	In re:	Case No. BK-S-06	
13	USA CAPITAL REALTY ADVISORS, LLC, Debtor.	Chapter 11	
14	In re:	•	
15	USA CAPITAL DIVERSIFIED TRUST DEED FUND, LLC,	Jointly Administ Case No. BK-S-0	
16	Debtor. In re:	Adversary No. 00	
17	USA CAPITAL FIRST TRUST DEED FUND, LLC, Debtor.	-	
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19	USA SECURITIES, LLC, Debtor.		
20	Affects:		
21	☐ All Debtors ☑ USA Commercial Mortgage Company		
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25	USA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY Plaintiff,	AND FOR DECI	
26	VS.		
27	GATEWAY STONE ASSOCIATES, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company,		
28	Defendant.		

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COMPLAINT SEEKING INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AGAINST NON-BANKRUPTCY LITIGATION AND FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF

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Plaintiff, USA Commercial Mortgage Company ("USACM"), by and through its counsel, Schwartzer & McPherson Law Firm, hereby complains as follows:

JURISDICTION

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1334 and 157.
- 2. This proceeding is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A), and (O).
 - 3. This is an adversary proceeding pursuant to Fed.R.Bankr.P. 7001.
 - This court has venue over this proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1409(a). 4.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 5. USACM and its affiliated entities (referred to collectively herein as the "Debtors") filed for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on April 13, 2006.
- 6. Pre-petition, defendant, Gateway Stone Associates, LLC ("Gateway") obtained a loan (the "Gateway Loan") to finance the acquisition and conversion/remodeling of a rental property into a condominium project in Riverside County, California(the "Property").
- 7. The Gateway Loan was obtained through USACM, as agent and loan servicer for a group of direct lenders (the "Direct Lenders"). The Direct Lenders are a group consisting of approximately of 161 different individuals or entities.
- 8. The Gateway Loan arrangement was evidenced by a Loan Agreement dated November 10, 2005, between Gateway and the Direct Lenders (the "Loan Agreement"), a Promissory Note Secured by Deed of Trust dated November 18, 2005 (the "Promissory Note") in favor of the Direct Lenders in the sum of \$17,750,000.00, and a Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents, Security Agreement and Fixture filing dated November 10, 2005 which was recorded in the Official Records of Riverside County, California on December 6, 2005 (the "Deed of Trust").
- 9. The Promissory Note was initially executed in favor of 161 Direct Lenders identified in Exhibit "A" to the Note ("Initial Direct Lenders") with an aggregate amount of funds of \$12,600,000.00.
- 10. The Direct Lenders executed Loan Servicing Agreements ("Loan Servicing Agreements") with USACM which authorized USACM to perform certain services in connection

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with arranging and servicing the Gateway Loan.

- 11. As such, the Direct Lenders had no direct contact with Gateway.
- 12. On or about December 1, 2005, the Initial Direct Lenders funded the initial loan amount \$12,600,000, defined in ¶3.1 of the Loan Agreement as the Loan Amount ("Loan Amount"), for the purchase of the Property, an origination fee and an interest reserve.
- 13. Pursuant to ¶3.2 of the Loan Agreement, "Lender and USACM have the exclusive right, but not the obligation, to increase the Loan Amount to an amount not to exceed Sixteen Million Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$16,230,000)" and, pursuant to ¶4.2 of the Loan Agreement, "Any obligation of the Lender or USA to make any additional advancements pursuant to Section 3.2 above, should the Lender or USA so elect, in their sole and absolute discretion, is subject to the following conditions:"
- 14. Pursuant to ¶8.15 of the Loan Agreement, all litigation between the parties must be brought in Clark County, Nevada.
- 15. Gateway has recently commenced a lawsuit in California state court, specifically Case No. RIC458088, in the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside (the "California Litigation"), against the Direct Lenders for breach of the Loan Agreement and the Promissory Note. A copy of the Complaint, without exhibits, is attached as **Exhibit "A."**
- 16. In the California Litigation, Gateway alleges that the Joseph Milanowski and Doug Esteves, as the duly authorized representatives of USA Capital, were aware that Gateway's borrowing needs included the purchase costs and the entitlement costs and that failing to fund the entitlement costs would significantly damage Gateway.
- 17. In the California Litigation, Gateway alleges that Joseph Milanowski and Doug Esteves, as the duly authorized representative of USA ital, fraudulently induced Gateway to execute the Loan Agreement, the Promissory Note and Deed of Trust and to accept the Loan.
- 18. On or about May 22, 2006, Gateway requested an additional advance of funds from USA.
- 19. USA has not advanced any additional funds and, pursuant to the terms of its mortgage lending license, may not request or arrange for any loans of additional funds from the

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Initial Direct Lenders or other individuals.

- 20. In the California Litigation, Gateway alleges that the Direct Lenders, "acting by and through their authorized agent, USA Capital", by failing to make the additional advance, have breached an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing.
 - 21. USACM is not named as a defendant in the California Litigation.
- 22. The Direct Lenders named in the California Litigation are persons who were customers of USACM and parties to the Loan Servicing Agreements who will seek reimbursement, contribution, and other various claims from USACM for any expenses and/or damages they incur in the California Litigation.
- 23. Pursuant to the Loan Servicing Agreements, USACM may be required to provide representation for the Direct Lenders named in the Gateway Complaint.
- 24. The California Litigation will necessarily determine facts relating to USACM relationship with Gateway and the Direct Lenders.
- 25. Although not a party to the California Litigation, USACM will be required to participate in the discovery in the California Litigation and to monitor that litigation.
- 26. The California Litigation will affect the bankruptcy estate in a legally cognizable manner and threatens the integrity of USACM's bankruptcy estate.

CAUSE OF ACTION

(INJUNCTIVE RELIEF)

- 27. USACM repeats and re-alleges 1 through 26 as if fully set forth herein.
- 28. Although the automatic stay of 11 U.S.C. §362 prevents Gateway from initiating an action against USACM or the other Debtors, it does not automatically prevent the commencement or prosecution of an action against the Direct Lenders.
- 29. This Court may enjoin actions against non-debtors where such actions would have an adverse effect on a debtor's assets or estate pursuant to the broad powers of 11 U.S.C. §105(a).
- 30. The California Litigation by Gateway against the Direct Lenders will negatively affect USACM's bankruptcy estate in a legally cognizable manner and threatens the integrity of USACM's bankruptcy estate.

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- 31 If the Direct Lenders are required to defend an action brought by Gateway, it would be detrimental to USACM's estate and to the Debtors' creditors.
- 32. Even if no Debtors are named as defendants in an action brought by Gateway, the prosecution of the California Litigation against the Direct Lenders will require the participation of USACM.
- 33. The issuance of an injunction against the prosecution of the California litigation is in conformance with the objectives of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 34. The issuance of an injunction against the prosecution of the California litigation will prevent irreparable harm to the USACM bankruptcy estate ands will do little immediate harm to Gateway.
- 35. The issuance of an injunction against the prosecution of the California litigation will promote the reorganization of USACM, such reorganization is likely, will not cause undue harm to Gateway and will promote the public purpose of allowing business reorganizations.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF (DECLARATORY RELIEF)

- 36. USACM repeats and re-alleges 1 through 35 as if fully set forth herein.
- 37. For reasons including but not limited to those stated herein, an actual dispute exists between USACM and Gateway, which parties have genuine and opposing interests, which interests are direct and substantial, and of which a judicial determination will be final and conclusive.
- 38. USACM seeks declaration relief that USACM did not fraudulently induce Gateway into taking the Gateway Loan, USACM did not violate any implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, the Loan Agreement does not require USACM or the Direct Lenders from making any additional advances except in their sole and absolute discretion and that Gateway is required under the terms of the Loan Agreement to bring any litigation concerning the Loan in Clark County, Nevada.
- WHEREFORE, USACM prays that this Court enjoin the prosecution by Gateway of the California Litigation or any other action against the Direct Lenders and a Declaratory Judgment

that USACM did not fraudulently induce Gateway into accepting the Gateway Loan, USACM did
not violate any implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, the Loan Agreement does not
require USACM or the Direct Lenders from making any additional advances except in their sole
and absolute discretion and that Gateway is required under the terms of the Loan Agreement to
bring any litigation concerning the Loan in Clark County, Nevada and for such other relief that
that this Court deems just and proper.

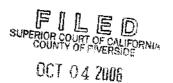
Dated: October 19, 2006

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EXHIBIT "A"

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

GATEWAY STONE ASSOCIATES, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company,

Plaintiff,

V\$.

ARTHUR V. ADAMS, Trustee of the Arthur V. Adams Trust dated 9/12/97; HERMAN M. ADAMS, BRIAN M. ADAMS & ANTHONY G. ADAMS as Joint Tenants; KENNETH ADDES & VICTORIA ADDES, Co-Trustees of the Addes Trust; RONALD M. ADDY & PRISCILLA K. ADDY, husband and wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; ADIB M. AL-AWAR & ELLEN A. AL-AWAR, Trustees of the Al-Awar Living Trust dated 04/05/01; ROBERT P. ANDERSON, Trustee of the Robert P. Anderson Revocable Living Trust dated 10/22/01; PENSCO TRUST COMPANY INC., Custodian for Robert S. Angel IRA; ROD ARBOGAST & DONNA ARBOGAST, Trustees of the Arbogast Family Trust; SHERRY ARCHER, an unmarried woman; A A SALAZAR MULTI SERVICES INC., Annabelle P. Arcilla, President; BERT E. ARNLUND, Trustee of the Bert E. Arnlund Charitable Remainder Unitrust dated 12/31/01: DELANA D. ARNOLD, a married woman dealing with her sole & separate property;

Case No.: PICKS 8088

COMPLAINT FOR:

1. FRAUD:

2. BREACH OF IMPLIED COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING

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1	DARLENE ASHDOWN & VINCENT N.)
2	GREENE, husband & wife, as joint tenants) with right of survivorship; MICHAEL K.M.
3	AU, a married man dealing with his sole and
	separate property; BRUCE N. BARTON,
4	Trustee of the Barton Revocable Trust; BAY
5	AREA CAPITAL, LLC, an Oregon limited
	liability company; ROBERT L. BENSON
6	AND MONA L. BENSON, husband and wife,
7	as joint tenants with the right of survivorship;) DAVID P. BETTERIDGE, a single man;)
	JERRY L. BLACKMAN, SR. AND
8	CAROLYN N. BLACKMAN LIVING
9	TRUST, Dated 11/26/01; MICHAEL S.
7	BLAU AND SHAMIRAN BLAU, husband
10	and wife, as joint tenants with the right of
	survivorship; PATRICIA A. BOSCHETTO,
11	an unmarried woman; LARRY R.
12	BRASUELL & SUSAN L. BRASUELL,
	Trustees of the Larry R. & Susan L. Brasuell
13	1996 Living Trust dated 7/22/96; DONALD E.
14	BRINEY, Trustee of the Briney Family
	Exemption Trust dated 11/5/82; CHARLES R.
15	BROOKS AND WENDY S. BROOKS,
16	husband and wife, as joint tenants with right of)
	survivorship; C & B CATTLE COMPANY,
17	LLC, a Utah limited liability company; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Edward
18	Burgess IRA; EUGENE W.CADY &
	SANDRA L. CADY, Trustees of the Eugene
19	W. Cady & Sandra L. Cady Trust dated
20	9/24/85; PETER W. CAPONE & DEIDRE D.
20	CAPONE, husband & wife, as joint tenants
21	with right of survivorship; MAURICE A.
22	CAUCHOIS & JACQUELINE M.)
4.4 	CAUCHOIS, Trustees of the M & J Cauchois \
23	Family Trust dated 2/25/93; STEFAN R.
.	CAVIN, Trustee of the Stefan R. Cavin
24	Revocable Living Trust dated 05/26/2004;
25	ELIO A. CHIAPPE AND GERALDINE N.
	CHIAPPE, Trustees of the Chiappe Family
26	Trust dated 1/22/96; DONALD P. CLARK,
27	Trustee of the Donald P. Clark Family Trust
	dated 10/25/94; DRS. RAYMOND J. CLAY,)
28	JR. & JOAN MARIE CLAY, husband & wife,
}	as joint tenants with right of survivorship;
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1 RAY L. COFFIN, a married man dealing with his sole & separate property; PENNY LEE 2 COMSIA, Trustee of the Penny Lee Comsia Revocable Trust UDT 4/10/00; JAMES A. 3 COY & MARGARET G. COY. Trustees of 4 the James A. Coy & Margaret G. Coy Revocable Trust dated 9/27/00; LOYAL 5 CROWNOVER, Trustee of the Lora and Loyal-Crownover Family Trust; FIRST SAVINGS б BANK, Custodian for Robert J. D'Ambrosio 7 Contributory IRA; DEBORAH A. DANIEL, a single woman; DAVIS INVESTMENTS, a Nevada partnership; MARTIN A. DAVIS & VIRGINIA LEE DAVIS, Trustees of the Davis Family 2000 Trust; MARRICE L. 10 DAVIS AND NANCI E. DAVIS, husband and wife, as joint tenants with the right of 11 survivorship; ROBERT L. DE RUFF, Trustee of the De Ruff 1988 Trust dated 4/25/88; CYNTHIA DEVITO, a married woman; 13 THOMAS DI JORIO & ANTONETTE DI JORIO, husband & wife; RICHARD E. DI 14 JORIO, Transfer on Death to Robert B. Di 15 Jorio; MARK A. DOLGINOFF, Trustee of the Mark A. Dolginoff Separate Property Trust 16 dated 11/21/97 amended/restated on 5/10/00; MICHAEL DONAHUE, a married man, as his 17 sole and separate property; GLENN M. 18 DONAHUE AND CARRIE DONAHUE, Trustees of the Glenn & Carrie Donahue 19 Living Trust dated 4/30/94; WAYNE A. DUTT & CYNTHIA DEANN DUTT. 20 Trustees of the Wayne A. Dutt Trust; MARK 21 L. EAMES & SANDY K. EAMES, husband & wife, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship; PIONEER ACCOUNTING & INVESTMENTS, LLC, a Colorado LLC. 23 Christian Elbert, Manager; DAVID F. 24 ELDRIDGE AND ELFRIEDE R. FUJITANI, husband and wife, as joint tenants with the 25 right of survivorship; ROBERT ESSAFF & CINDY H. ESSAFF, Trustees of the Essaff 26 Family Trust dated 6/18/02; DENISE F. 27 FAGER, Trustee of the Denise F. Fager Revocable Trust under agreement dated 28 2/28/03: MARGUERITE FALKENBORG.

Trustee of the Marguerite Falkenborg 2000 Trust dated 6/20/00; CHRISTOPHER J. FERNANDES, a single man, and DIONISIO A. FERNANDES, MD, a married man, as joint? tenants with right of survivorship; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Nila Ganahl SEP IRA; STANLEY C. GERMAIN & DOROTHY GERMAIN, husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Nancy R. Gilmour IRA; JO M. GLEDHILL, Trustee of the Gledhill Revocable Family Trust; JOHN A. GODFREY, an individual; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Alan Groh IRA; MICHAEL HADJIGEORGALIS AND BRENDA G. HADJIGEORGALIS, Husband and wife as tenants in common; DANIEL R. HALSETH & SANDRA K HALSETH. Trustees of the Halseth Family Trust restated 4/21/00; CHARLES T. HAMM AND SANDRA L. HAMM, Trustees of the Hamm Trust dated 3/17/05; JOHN A. M. HANDAL. a single man; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for John A. M. Handal IRA: DWIGHT W. HAROUFF & MARY ANN HAROUFF, Trustees of the Harouff Charitable Remainder Trust 9/5/96; MARY ANN HAROUFF AND DWIGHT W. HAROUFF, Trustees of the Skip and Mary Harouff Trust dated 12/5/95; T. CLAIRE HARPER, Trustee of the Harper Family Trust dated 2/28/84; JOHN D. HATHCOCK AND SUSAN K. HATHCOCK, husband and wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; ROGER N. HAVEKOST, a married man dealing with his sole & separate property; RAYMOND G. HAWKINS, an unmarried man; WALTER F. HENNINGSEN, Trustee of the Walter F. Henningsen Revocable Trust dated 2/18/03; LINDA M. HERDMAN. Trustee for the Linda M. Herdman Family Trust dated 12/11/03; EDWARD W. HOMFELD, an unmarried man; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for George W. Hubbard Roth IRA; RONALD A. JOHNSON, Trustee of the Burgarello, Inc. Profit Sharing

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1	Plan; FISKO VENTURES, LLC; a Nevada)
2	limited liability company; K. KEN KANEDA
	& BRIGITTE AREND-KANEDA, Trustees of the Kaneda Living Trust dated 5/30/02;
3	STEWART KARLINSKY, a married man
4	dealing with his sole and separate property &
5	MARK WEISSMAN, a married man with his
١	sole and separate property, as joint tenants {
6	with the right of survivorship; ARTHUR E.
7	KEBBLE & THELMA M. KEBBLE, Trustees) of the Arthur E. Kebble & Thelma M. Kebble)
	Family Trust dated 5/19/95; ROBERT J.
8	KEHL & RUTH ANN KEHL, husband &
9	wife, as joint tenants with right of
	survivorship; FIRST SAVINGS BANK,
10	Custodian for Lindsey H. Kesler Jr. IRA;
11	NORMAN KIVEN, a married man dealing \(\rangle \)
	with his sole & separate property; BERNARD
12	A. KLOENNE, Trustee of the Bernard
13	Kloenne Living Trust dated 10/10/86; L.V.) KNIGHT & MARGARET E. KNIGHT,
14	husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of
1**	survivorship; MARCIA J. KNOX, Trustee of
15	the Marcia J. Knox Living Trust dated
16	8/16/04; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian)
	for Stephen V. Kowalski IRA; PAUL N. KRON, Trustee of the Paul Kron Estate Trust
17	dtd 06/12/90; PAUL L. KWIATKOWSKI
18	AND COLITA JO KWIATKOWSKI, Trustees)
19	of the Kwiatkowski Revocable Trust, dated)
12	12/17/04; MELVIN LAMPH, Trustee of the
20	Melvin Lamph Trust dated 2/19/87; FIRST
21	SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Donald () Lechman IRA; TERESA H. LEE, Trustee of ()
	the William W. Lee & Teresa H. Lee 2003
22	Family Trust Agreement dated 6/26/03;
23	VERUSIO SOLUTIONS, LLC, an unknown {
	business entity; PHILIP LYONS & DORA
24	LYONS, Trustees of the Philip & Dora Lyons)
25	Trust UA 8/9/99; THOMAS MARUNA AND }
	SAYURI MARUNA, husband and wife, as
26	joint tenants with the right of survivorship; MORRIS MASSRY, a married man dealing
27	with his sole & separate property; KEVIN A.
	MCKEE AND PAMELA J. MCKEE, husband
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Defendants.

<u>PARTIES</u>

- 1. At all times herein mentioned, Plaintiff GATEWAY STONE ASSOCIATES, LLC, ("Gateway"), was, and is, a Delaware limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to conduct business in the State of California.
- 2. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that at all times herein mentioned, each of the following parties owns a fractionalized interest in the deed of trust that is the subject of this action: ARTHUR V. ADAMS, Trustee of the Arthur V. Adams Trust dated 9/12/97; HERMAN M. ADAMS, BRIAN M. ADAMS & ANTHONY G. ADAMS as Joint Tenants; KENNETH ADDES & VICTORIA ADDES, Co-Trustees of the Addes Trust;

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RONALD M. ADDY & PRISCILLA K. ADDY, husband and wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; ADIB M. AL-AWAR & ELLEN A. AL-AWAR, Trustees of the Al-Awar Living Trust dated 04/05/01; ROBERT P. ANDERSON, Trustee of the Robert P. Anderson Revocable Living Trust dated 10/22/01; PENSCO TRUST COMPANY INC., Custodian for Robert S. Angel IRA; ROD ARBOGAST & DONNA ARBOGAST, Trustees of the Arbogast Family Trust; SHERRY ARCHER, an unmarried woman; A A SALAZAR MULTI SERVICES INC., Annabelle P. Arcilla, President; BERT E. ARNLUND, Trustee of the Bert E. Arnlund Charitable Remainder Unitrust dated 12/31/01; DELANA D. ARNOLD, a married woman dealing with her sole & separate property: DARLENE ASHDOWN & VINCENT N. GREENE, husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; MICHAEL K.M. AU, a married man dealing with his sole and separate property; BRUCE N. BARTON, Trustee of the Barton Revocable Trust; BAY AREA CAPITAL, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company; ROBERT L. BENSON AND MONA L. BENSON, husband and wife, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship; DAVID P. BETTERIDGE, a single man; JERRY L. BLACKMAN, SR. AND CAROLYN N. BLACKMAN LIVING TRUST, Dated 11/26/01; MICHAEL S. BLAU AND SHAMIRAN BLAU, husband and wife, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship; PATRICIA A. BOSCHETTO, an unmarried woman; LARRY R. BRASUELL & SUSAN L. BRASUELL, Trustees of the Larry R. & Susan L. Brasuell 1996 Living Trust dated 7/22/96; DONALD E. BRINEY, Trustee of the Briney Family Exemption Trust dated 11/5/82; CHARLES R. BROOKS AND WENDY S. BROOKS, husband and wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; C & B CATTLE COMPANY, LLC, a Utah limited liability company; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Edward Burgess IRA; EUGENE W.CADY & SANDRA L. CADY, Trustees of the Eugene W. Cady & Sandra L. Cady Trust dated 9/24/85; PETER W. CAPONE & DEIDRE D. CAPONE, husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship: MAURICE A. CAUCHOIS & JACQUELINE M. CAUCHOIS, Trustees of the M & J Cauchois Family Trust dated 2/25/93; STEFAN R. CAVIN, Trustee of the Stefan R. Cavin Revocable Living Trust dated 05/26/2004; ELIO A. CHIAPPE AND GERALDINE N. CHIAPPE, Trustees of the Chiappe Family Trust dated 1/22/96; DONALD P. CLARK, Trustee of the Donald P.

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Clark Family Trust dated 10/25/94; DRS. RAYMOND J. CLAY, JR. & JOAN MARIE CLAY, 2 husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; RAY L. COFFIN, a married man 3 dealing with his sole & separate property; PENNY LEE COMSIA, Trustee of the Penny Lee 4 Comsia Revocable Trust UDT 4/10/00; JAMES A. COY & MARGARET G. COY, Trustees of 5 the James A. Coy & Margaret G. Coy Revocable Trust dated 9/27/00; LOYAL CROWNOVER. 6 Trustee of the Lora and Loyal Crownover Family Trust; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian 7 for Robert J. D'Ambrosio Contributory IRA; DEBORAH A. DANIEL, a single woman; DAVIS INVESTMENTS, a Nevada partnership; MARTIN A. DAVIS & VIRGINIA LEE DAVIS. 9 Trustees of the Davis Family 2000 Trust; MARRICE L. DAVIS AND NANCI E. DAVIS, husband and wife, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship; ROBERT L. DE RUFF, Trustee 10 of the De Ruff 1988 Trust dated 4/25/88; CYNTHIA DEVITO, a married woman; THOMAS DI 11 JORIO & ANTONETTE DI JORIO, husband & wife; RICHARD E. DI JORIO, Transfer on 12 13 Death to Robert B. Di Jorio; MARK A. DOLGINOFF, Trustee of the Mark A. Dolginoff Separate Property Trust dated 11/21/97 amended/restated on 5/10/00; MICHAEL DONAHUE, a 14 married man, as his sole and separate property; GLENN M. DONAHUE AND CARRIE 15 DONAHUE, Trustees of the Glenn & Carrie Donahue Living Trust dated 4/30/94; WAYNE A. 16 DUTT & CYNTHIA DEANN DUTT, Trustees of the Wayne A. Dutt Trust; MARK L. EAMES 17 & SANDY K. EAMES, husband & wife, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship; 18 PIONEER ACCOUNTING & INVESTMENTS, LLC, a Colorado LLC, Christian Elbert. 19 Manager; DAVID F. ELDRIDGE AND ELFRIEDE R. FUJITANI, husband and wife, as joint 20 tenants with the right of survivorship; ROBERT ESSAFF & CINDY H. ESSAFF, Trustees of 21 the Essaff Family Trust dated 6/18/02; DENISE F. FAGER, Trustee of the Denise F. Fager 22 Revocable Trust under agreement dated 2/28/03; MARGUERITE FALKENBORG, Trustee of the Marguerite Falkenborg 2000 Trust dated 6/20/00; CHRISTOPHER J. FERNANDES, a 24 single man, and DIONISIO A. FERNANDES, MD, a married man, as joint tenants with right of 25 survivorship; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Nila Ganahl SEP IRA; STANLEY C. 26 GERMAIN & DOROTHY GERMAIN, husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of 27 survivorship; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Nancy R. Gilmour IRA; JO M. 28

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GLEDHILL, Trustee of the Gledhill Revocable Family Trust; JOHN A. GODFREY, an
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   HADЛGEORGALIS AND BRENDA G. HADЛGEORGALIS, Husband and wife as tenants in
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   common; DANIEL R. HALSETH & SANDRA K HALSETH, Trustees of the Halseth Family
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    Trust restated 4/21/00; CHARLES T. HAMM AND SANDRA L. HAMM, Trustees of the
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    Hamm Trust dated 3/17/05; JOHN A. M. HANDAL, a single man; FIRST SAVINGS BANK,
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    Custodian for John A. M. Handal IRA; DWIGHT W. HAROUFF & MARY ANN HAROUFF,
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    Trustees of the Harouff Charitable Remainder Trust 9/5/96; MARY ANN HAROUFF AND
   DWIGHT W. HAROUFF, Trustees of the Skip and Mary Harouff Trust dated 12/5/95; T.
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    CLAIRE HARPER, Trustee of the Harper Family Trust dated 2/28/84; JOHN D. HATHCOCK
    AND SUSAN K. HATHCOCK, husband and wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship;
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    ROGER N. HAVEKOST, a married man dealing with his sole & separate property; RAYMOND
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    G. HAWKINS, an unmarried man; WALTER F. HENNINGSEN, Trustee of the Walter F.
    Henningsen Revocable Trust dated 2/18/03; LINDA M. HERDMAN, Trustee for the Linda M.
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    Herdman Family Trust dated 12/11/03; EDWARD W. HOMFELD, an unmarried man; FIRST
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    SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for George W. Hubbard Roth IRA; RONALD A. JOHNSON,
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    Trustee of the Burgarello, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan; FISKO VENTURES, LLC; a Nevada limited
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    liability company; K. KEN KANEDA & BRIGITTE AREND-KANEDA, Trustees of the
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    Kaneda Living Trust dated 5/30/02; STEWART KARLINSKY, a married man dealing with his
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    sole and separate property & MARK WEISSMAN, a married man with his sole and separate
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    property, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship; ARTHUR E. KEBBLE & THELMA M.
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    KEBBLE, Trustees of the Arthur E. Kebble & Thelma M. Kebble Family Trust dated 5/19/95;
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    ROBERT J. KEHL & RUTH ANN KEHL, husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of
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    survivorship; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Lindsey H. Kesler Jr. IRA; NORMAN
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    KIVEN, a married man dealing with his sole & separate property; BERNARD A. KLOENNE,
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    Trustee of the Bernard Kloenne Living Trust dated 10/10/86; L.V. KNIGHT & MARGARET E.
    KNIGHT, husband & wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship; MARCIA J. KNOX.
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    Trustee of the Marcia J. Knox Living Trust dated 8/16/04; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian
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    for Stephen V. Kowalski IRA: PAUL N. KRON, Trustee of the Paul Kron Estate Trust dtd
    06/12/90; PAUL L. KWIATKOWSKI AND COLITA JO KWIATKOWSKI, Trustees of the
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    Kwiatkowski Revocable Trust, dated 12/17/04; MELVIN LAMPH, Trustee of the Melvin
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    Lamph Trust dated 2/19/87; FIRST SAVINGS BANK, Custodian for Donald Lechman IRA;
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    TERESA H. LEE, Trustee of the William W. Lee & Teresa H. Lee 2003 Family Trust
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    Agreement dated 6/26/03; VERUSIO SOLUTIONS, LLC, an unknown business entity; PHILIP
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    LYONS & DORA LYONS, Trustees of the Philip & Dora Lyons Trust UA 8/9/99; THOMAS
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    MARUNA AND SAYURI MARUNA, husband and wife, as joint tenants with the right of
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    survivorship; MORRIS MASSRY, a married man dealing with his sole & separate property;
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    KEVIN A. MCKEE AND PAMELA J. MCKEE, husband and wife, as joint tenants with right of
    survivorship; RICHARD MCKNIGHT AND SHEILA J. MCKNIGHT, Trustees of the
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    Living Trust dated 8/19/94; GARY A. MICHELSEN, an unmarried man; JOHN E.
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    MICHELSEN, Trustee of the John E. Michelsen Family Trust dated 11/75; MONIGHETTI,
    INC., a Nevada corporation; MUKS REALTY, LLC, a California limited liability company;
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    MARIE MUELLER, Trustee of the Anne Marie Mueller Trust; DANIEL D. NEWMAN, Trustee
    of the Daniel D. Newman Trust dated 11/1/92; MARVIN L. NICOLA, Trustee of the Marvin
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    Lynn Nicola Family Trust dated 6/13/78; ALLEN N. NIRENSTEIN & DOROTHY H.
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- 3. Plaintiff is unaware of the true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, partnership or otherwise, of Defendants Does 1 through 20, inclusive, and therefore sues the Defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiff is informed and believes and on that basis alleges, that each of the fictitiously named Defendants is, in some manner, responsible for the events and happenings referred to herein, either contractually or tortuously. When Plaintiff ascertains the true names and capacities of Does 1 through 20, it will amend this Complaint accordingly. (Some or all of the named Defendant and Does 1 through 20 are sometimes collectively included in the reference to "Defendants.")
- 4. Plaintiff is informed and believes, and on that basis alleges, that each Defendant is, and at all times pertinent hereto was, the agent, servant, employee, joint venturer, and/or partner of each of the other Defendants, and in doing the things alleged herein, each Defendant was acting within the scope of the authority conferred upon that party by consent, approval and/or ratification of each of the other Defendants, whether said authority was actual or apparent.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 5. Plaintiff is a Delaware limited liability company that acquired certain real property described on the attached Exhibit "A" ("the Property") for the purpose of thereafter improving the Property.
- 6. Defendants are a group of individuals, trusts, associations, or other interests which, pursuant to the terms of a Loan Servicing Agreement (the "LSA") collectively through their duly authorized agent, USA Commercial Mortgage Company ("USA Capital"), entered into

a lending arrangement with the Plaintiff for the acquisition and development of the Property.

USA Capital was authorized by each of the Defendants to undertake such actions, enter into such arrangements, and otherwise to perform such acts as were necessary or appropriate to enter into lending relationships with borrowers solicited and obtained by USA Capital including, in this instance, the Plaintiff. At all times pertinent, USA Capital was the duly authorized agent of the Defendants for any and all purposes relating to such lending relationships, including that with Plaintiff.

- 7. The Defendants are subject to the jurisdiction of this Court pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure § 410.10 as they have owned, used, possessed, or held a mortgage or other lien on real property within this State, and/or breached a contract in this State by failing to perform acts required by the contract to be performed in this State, and the causes of action asserted herein relate to such acts.
- 8. Moreover, and as more fully explained hereafter, the forum selection clause contained in paragraph 18 of the Promissory Note dated November 18, 2005, entered into by and between Plaintiff and the Defendants (the "Promissory Note"), a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B," and contained in the Loan Agreement dated November 18, 2005, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C," are unenforceable and inapplicable under these facts and circumstances because, among other things, the forum selection clauses were non-negotiated, mandatory provisions in the USA Capital and the Defendants' form agreements; enforcement would violate the public policy of this State; and enforcement would transfer an essentially local dispute (ultimately, a foreclosure action and claims related thereto) to an inconvenient and inappropriate forum in order to seriously inconvenience and prejudice the Plaintiff. Therefore, the Defendants are subject to the jurisdiction of, and venue in, this Court.
- 9. Venue is appropriate in this Court because the Property that is subject to this action is located in the County of Riverside.

- 10. Among other potential lending sources approached by the Plaintiff, in or about the Fall 2005, Plaintiff approached the authorized agents of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of the Defendants) to discuss the obtaining of a loan sufficient to undertake entitlement costs and development to improve the use of the Property.
- 11. Over the course of the next several months, negotiations continued between the representatives of the Plaintiff, and the duly authorized representatives and agents of USA Capital, including, without limitation Joseph Milanowski ("Milanowski") and Doug Esteves ("Esteves"). At all times during such ongoing negotiations, Milanowski, Esteves, and the other authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of the Defendants) were well aware that Plaintiff's borrowing needs consisted of entitlement costs (for example, costs for consultants, engineers, planners and attorneys) in order to make the project feasible and viable, and that funding of these costs would be required in order for the Plaintiff to utilize the Defendants (acting through their authorized agent, USA Capital) as the lending source rather than other potential lending sources.
- 12. As Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants) well knew, Plaintiff would undertake entitlement costs on the Property.
- 13. Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants) also well knew that the failure to fund all of the requested loan would significantly harm and damage Plaintiff, prohibit development on the Property, and would, in effect, destroy the purpose for which the loan was taken.
- 14. At all times throughout the negotiations, Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants) promised and assured the Plaintiff that the entire amount needed to undertake development of the Property would in fact be funded. Based upon the commitment of the Defendants, action through their duly authorized agent and representative, USA Capital,

Plaintiff agreed to enter into a lending arrangement with the Defendants which would prove an amount sufficient to commercially develop on the Property.

- 15. In order to evidence the agreed lending relationship between the Defendants, acting by and through their authorized agent and representative, USA Capital, and the Plaintiff, the following documents, among others, were executed:
 - (a) That certain Promissory Note Secured By Deed of Trust dated

 November 18, 2005 in the principal amount of \$12,600,000 (See,

 Exhibit "B");
 - (b) The Loan Agreement dated November 18, 2005 (Attached hereto as Exhibit "C");
 - (c) The Deed of Trust (Attached hereto as Exhibit "D"); and
 - (d) An Agreement (Attached hereto as Exhibit "E"). (collectively referred to as "the Loan Documents").
- 16. Notwithstanding the date on the Loan Documents, no portion of the loan was actually funded on November 18, 2005. To the contrary, the actual loan closing, and the initial disbursement of any loan proceeds did not occur until December 1, 2005. A true and correct copy of the Loan Closing Statement dated December 1, 2005 is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "F."
- 17. The Loan Agreement, in paragraph 3.2, provide for the advancing of further funds up to the amount of \$16,230,000.00, and other portions of the Loan Agreement provided procedures and mechanisms by which such additional advances were to be undertaken, and otherwise addressed lending issues and practices applicable only to advancing additional funds.
- 18. Plaintiff paid fees, points, and interest based on the full loan amount of \$16,230,000.00. Once any amount was funded after the Initial Loan Amount, the entire remainder would be required to be funded. USA Capital committed to advance to Plaintiff the full amount of \$16,230,000.00 (See "Agreement," attached hereto as Exhibit "E").

- 19. Shortly after, if not simultaneous with, the funding of the Initial Loan Amount (i.e. the \$12,600,000.00 shown on the Closing Statement), the Defendants advanced the first portion of the funding in the amount of \$12,600,000.00 in accordance with the Loan Agreement (See, Exhibit "C"). The advance of this amount was in furtherance of, and consistent with, the representations of Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants) that the loan in its entirety would be funded (in accordance with the Loan Documents).
- 20. After receiving the initial disbursement of funds from Defendants, Plaintiff commenced development on the Property. As had been well known to all parties from the time the loan first began to be negotiated forward, such development required ongoing services of consultants, engineers, planner and attorneys, which would then lead, if not paid, to the imposition of varieties of liens upon the Property, the commencement of litigation, and the inevitable cessation of development.
- 21. Notwithstanding the implicit representations and commitments made by Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants) of financial strength and stability, and unbeknownst to Plaintiff, USA Capital, and its affiliated entities, including, without limitation, USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC (the "Fund"), were then in dire financial straights, with an ever-worsening financial condition. Unbeknownst to Plaintiff, USA Capital had apparently, among other things, pooled monies received as payments on various loans, and disbursed such amounts to investors on all loans regardless of the source of the actual payment; had compromised the total amount of certain indebtedness, or, at least, had not remitted the applicable amounts to the investors on any specific loan; had released collateral or compromised or satisfied certain debts without the knowledge of or payment to the applicable investors; and/or had engaged in other acts and practices, including the diversion of funds, from the appropriate, ultimate payee.
- 22. Upon information and belief, by the time the documents evidencing the lending arrangement between Plaintiff and Defendants were executed in November 2005, and certainly

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On April 13, 2006, USA Capital, the Trust, and various other affiliated entities filed voluntary petitions under the provisions of Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Nevada. All such cases remain pending. Since the filing of the bankruptcy cases, former management of USA Capital (including Milanowski) has been displaced and Thomas Allison inserted as the Chief Restructuring Officer of USA Capital and its affiliated debtors. Moreover, the bankruptcy court in the bankruptcy cases has to this point not permitted further funding on any of the pre-petition loan commitments made by USA Capital, on behalf of any of its investors, including the Defendants, notwithstanding the acknowledgement of the Debtor representatives of the existence

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27 28 of such commitments and the extensive damage to borrowers - including Plaintiff - from the cessation of funding, and the likely litigation that will ensure from failure to do so.

- 24. Consequently, and notwithstanding the promises, commitments, representations and agreements of the duly authorized agents and representatives, including Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants), and the terms of the Loan Agreement and Promissory Note, as construed, interpreted and acted upon by the parties, no further funding of the loan has occurred. A request was submitted by Plaintiff in or around May 22, 2006, advising that the funding schedule is 45 days behind schedule and requesting USA Capital to adhere to the schedule (See, letter dated May 22, 2006, attached hereto as Exhibit "G"). No response has been received from the Defendants, USA Capital, and/or the Disbursing Agent since the submission of such draw request. Notwithstanding the failure to fund the requested amount, and notwithstanding the cessation of the funding of the loan generally, upon information and belief the Disbursing Agent continues to disburse monthly to USA Capital, for ultimate disbursement to the Defendants, the amount of the alleged interest accruing monthly on the Initial Loan Amount.
- 25. Because of the cessation of funding, development at the Property has come to a virtual halt, the consultants, engineers, and others who worked on entitlement have not been paid, and the project is at a substantial risk of becoming, and is likely to become, embroiled in significant litigation. Plaintiff has now likewise been advised that because of the delay in development, if and when development is able to be resumed, the cost of the required services and materials will have increased significantly. Finally, and because of the virtual cessation of development as a result of the Defendants' cessation of funding, complying with the required completion deadline is unlikely, and substantial ramp-up costs will be incurred to re-ignite the development process. Consultants would leave due to non-payment, creating a lack of continuity in development of the Property.
- 26. Because of the pendency of the bankruptcy cases of USA Capital and the Trust, both of which are two of the approximately 100 persons, entities and other interests which

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comprise the Defendants, USA Capital and the Trust have not been named as defendants in this action. Nonetheless, Plaintiff will be seeking relief from the automatic stay of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code to add USA Capital and the Trust as party defendants in order to liquidate the claims against all Defendants, including USA Capital and the Trust in one action, and to otherwise liquidated whatever other claims Plaintiff may have against USA Capital and/or its affiliated entities, at one time.

- 27. In addition, Plaintiff intends to seek relief from the automatic stay of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code to send notice to the Disbursing Agent to cease disbursing the interest amounts monthly on the Promissory Note given that Plaintiff contends it has setoffs and affirmative claims against the Defendants which far exceed the amounts owing on the Note. Even if such relief from the automatic stay is denied, once the interest reserve is exhausted, Plaintiff will not fund further interest payments to the Defendants. Consequently, the Defendants will be required, in order to recover on the indebtedness, to institute an action to foreclose the Deed of Trust in this Court. The claims asserted herein would appear to be compulsory counter-claims in any such foreclosure litigation. The foreclosure litigation may only be brought in the jurisdiction in which the property exists and the facts and circumstances certainly give rise to defenses and affirmative defenses in such litigation. Because the forum selection clauses contained in the Loan Documents were non-bargained for, mandatory provisions in USA Capital's and Defendants' form loan documents; are unreasonably one-sided; violate the public policy of this State; and purports to transfer a local dispute to an inconvenient and prejudicial forum to the benefit of the drafting party, such provisions are unenforceable.
- 28. Plaintiff has been required to retain the services of the Law Office of Daniel D. White to enforce its rights and pursue the claims set forth herein, and has agreed to pay such attorneys a reasonable fee for their services.
- 29. All conditions precedent to the institution of this action have been waived, excused, or otherwise performed.

<u>FRAUD</u>

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION:

(Against All Defendants)

- 30. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 29, inclusive, and incorporates the same herein as though set forth in full.
- 31. As alleged herein, Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants) repeatedly represented to Plaintiff that the loan would be fully funded (i.e., in the amount of \$16,230,000.00 as set forth in the Agreement, See, Exhibit "E"), notwithstanding whatever language may occur in the mandatory, non-bargained for, form documents utilized by USA Capital in its business practices. Such representations were made at a time when the duly authorized representatives of USA Capital knew that given the dire financial circumstances of USA Capital and its affiliated entities that the loan would not likely be fully funded. Such false representations were made in order to induce reliance thereon by Plaintiff.
- 32. But for such materially false representations and inducements, Plaintiff would not have entered into the loan arrangement with Defendants and would have sought financing elsewhere.
- 33. Plaintiff did, in fact, rely upon such false, material representations and inducements in entering into the loan arrangement with Defendants and the commencement of development on the Property.
- 34. Based upon such materially false representations and inducements by the duly authorized agents and representatives of Defendants, made with the intent that Plaintiff rely upon, and upon which Plaintiff did in fact rely, Plaintiff has incurred extensive damage, which is ongoing and increasing, in an amount to be proven at trial.
- 35. Plaintiff is informed and believes that the wrongful conduct of Defendants and their duly authorized agents and representatives was willful, malicious, and made with the intent to and designed to obstruct and damage Plaintiff. Plaintiff is therefore entitled to recover exemplary and punitive damages in a sum sufficient to punish Defendants.

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SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION:

BREACH OF IMPLIED COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH

AND FAIR DEALING

(Against All Defendants)

- 36. Plaintiff repeats and realleges the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 35, inclusive, and incorporates the same herein as though set forth in full.
- 37. Every contract relating to the Loan Documents includes a covenant of good faith and fair dealing in the performance of each contractual obligation.
- 38. The Defendants, acting by and through their authorized agent, USA Capital, failed to fund the entire amount of the loan (i.e., in the amount of \$16,230,000.00 as set forth in the Agreement, See, Exhibit "E") after inducing Plaintiff into the loan arrangement generally.
- 39. Milanowski, Esteves, and the other duly authorized agents and representatives of USA Capital (itself the duly authorized agent and representative of Defendants) repeatedly represented to Plaintiff that the loan would be fully funded despite the fact that they knew that given the dire financial circumstances of USA Capital and its affiliated entities that the loan would not likely be fully funded.
- 40. The wrongful conduct of Defendants, acting by and through their authorized agent, USA Capital, constitutes a breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, in that it is unfair dealing in the form of conscious and deliberate acts that unfairly frustrates the agreed-upon purpose of the Loan Documents and disappoints the reasonable expectations of Plaintiff.
- 41. Plaintiff is informed and believes that the Defendants, acting by and through their authorized agent, USA Capital, acted in bad faith to frustrate the benefits Plaintiff was to receive under the loan arrangement.
- 42. Based upon such wrongful conduct by the duly authorized agents and representatives of Defendants, Plaintiff has incurred extensive damage, which is ongoing and increasing, in an amount to be proven at trial.

43. Plaintiff is informed and believes that the wrongful conduct of Defendants and their duly authorized agents and representatives was willful, malicious, and made with the intent to and designed to obstruct and damage Plaintiff. Plaintiff is therefore entitled to recover exemplary and punitive damages in a sum sufficient to punish Defendants.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment against Defendant as follows:

ON ALL CAUSES OF ACTION:

- 1. For compensatory and consequential damages in an amount to be proven at trial;
- 2. For punitive damages;
- 3. For attorneys' fees for services rendered to Plaintiff in this action;
- 4. For costs of suit incurred herein; and
- 5. For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: October 2, 2006

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